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Specification  
40 Sheets of informal drawing(s)  
1 Assignment with Cover Sheet  
Declaration and Power of Attorney  
Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 and cited reference(s)

CLAIMS AS FILED				
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